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The Chinese Communists formerly shipped supplies to the Viet Minh forces both by land and by sea. The sea routes started from Hainan and went to Vinh and Camau, but heavy French air raids since December 1950 have resulted in great losses on these routes. Consequently, after a study of the situation by Chinese Communist and Viet Minh leaders, sea shipment has been abandoned and inland transportation routes are being improved.

25X1A Comment. Other reports confirm the improvement of inland transportation routes, but this reported abandonment of sea routes conflicts with recent French naval reports of increased junk traffic in arms and supplies. See [redacted] for a report on a shipment of arms to Viet Minh forces from Hainan as of 4 March.

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